

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

John S. Stritzinger,)
v.)
Plaintiff,) Civil Action No. 3:18-868-TLW
v.)
Susan Zeleniak, *President of Verizon*)
Federal; John Stratton,)
Pres. Wireless Services,)
Defendants.)

ORDER

Plaintiff John S. Stritzinger brought this action, *pro se*, on March 29, 2018. ECF No. 1. This matter now comes before the Court for review of the Report and Recommendation (the Report) filed by United States Magistrate Judge Paige J. Gossett, to whom this case was previously assigned pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) and Local Civil Rule 73.02(B)(2), (D.S.C.). ECF No. 11. The Report recommends that Plaintiff's Complaint should be summarily dismissed without prejudice and without issuance of service of process. *Id.* Petitioner filed Objections to the Report, ECF Nos. 16, 17, and a supplemental motion to add parties. ECF No. 15. This matter is now ripe for disposition.

The Court is charged with conducting a *de novo* review of any portion of the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation to which a specific objection is registered, and may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the recommendations contained in that report. 28 U.S.C. § 636. In conducting its review, the Court applies the following standard:

The magistrate judge makes only a recommendation to the Court, to which any party may file written objections The Court is not bound by the recommendation of the magistrate judge but, instead, retains responsibility for the final determination. The Court is required to make a *de novo* determination of those

portions of the report or specified findings or recommendation as to which an objection is made. However, the Court is not required to review, under a *de novo* or any other standard, the factual or legal conclusions of the magistrate judge as to those portions of the report and recommendation to which no objections are addressed. While the level of scrutiny entailed by the Court's review of the Report thus depends on whether or not objections have been filed, in either case the Court is free, after review, to accept, reject, or modify any of the magistrate judge's findings or recommendations.

Wallace v. Housing Auth. of the City of Columbia, 791 F. Supp. 137, 138 (D.S.C. 1992) (citations omitted).

In light of the standard set forth in *Wallace*, the Court has carefully reviewed, *de novo*, the Report, the Objections, and the relevant filings. As noted in the Report, Plaintiff has not complied with the Court's instructions and has not brought this case into proper form. Thus, for the reasons articulated by the Magistrate Judge, it is **ORDERED** that the Magistrate Judge's Report, ECF No. 11, is **ACCEPTED**, and Petitioner's Objections, ECF Nos. 16, 17, are **OVERRULED**. Additionally, the court has considered Plaintiff's motion to add parties, ECF No. 15, and finds that motion is hereby **MOOT**. The complaint, ECF No. 1, is hereby **DISMISSED** without prejudice and without issuance and service of process.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Terry L. Wooten
Senior United States District Judge

March 29, 2019
Columbia, South Carolina